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TELEPHONE CONNECTIONS AFTER ISSUING OF O.B.
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it takes more than 2-3 months in providing telephone connection even after issuing of O.B.;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the steps taken by the Government to expedite the procedure?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI TAPAN SIKDAR)

(a) & (b): No, Sir. Instructions exist that telephone connections should be installed and energized within 15 days after the issue of OBs. However, provision of telephones is sometimes delayed due to some pockets/areas being technically non-feasible or due to subscribers` reasons.

(c) Regular monitoring of delayed cases in technically non-feasible area is being done at appropriate level to provide telephones expeditiously. New technologies like WILLare proposed to be deployed to provide telephone connections expeditiously in technically non-feasible areas.